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Original Poetry.

THE WHIRLWIND.

WRITTEN FOR THE UNITED STATES SATURDAY POST
BY THE MORRYBIRD.

The whirlwind—the whirlwind—a monarch is he,
And he sweeps a wide region the land and the sea;
And he sees as a shadow, the things of the earth
When he passes along in his mighty career.

When the sky has a face and storms cover it there,
I can see the dark face, for the whirlwind is near;
He is gathering his powers, ere he marshalls them forth,
For his contempt of storm, ocean or earth and earth.

The soft winds that nourish the blossoms and flowers,
Which away from the forests, the fields and the bowers,
To their home of refreshment, the cool caves of rest,
For they know that the king of the tempest is nigh.

He comes on his chariot, the pyramid cloud,
And the sun of his coming is lurid and loud;
For he wantonly has strength, and he shouts in his glee,
That no spot of shelter is to mortals to be.

Who bend not before him where'er he may go,
With a sweep of his right hand he leaves them low;
For no obstacle stands in his path, and his path
Like the youth of a despot, is iron and wrath.

But he makes for himself a clear track as he goes,
The high and the proud like a reaper he mows:
The tallest of trees as the old leaves lands,
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But his strength is not there, and he passes it by,
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Still spreads the freely, for these not his power—
Nature rests for the storms, and remembers the dell,
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Lower Merrionboro', 1844.

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A vacant star, and yet a star of hope!
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Names! Names of power! Names of love! Names of light!
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Stars of our LOVE, when o'er the footsteps sky—
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Look at another scene, far removed from the one just contemplated. In the interior of Muskogee, in a comfortable dwelling, surrounded, it is true, by wild forests, and smiling prairies, but yet possessing many a custom more that the more luxurious city mansion cannot boast—yet may see a family whose appearances indicates their origin. They are emigrants from New England. The time is a day or two later than when we saw the dead child in Charleston. The scene is interesting.

An old white haired venerable man, supported by pillows, is reclining upon a couch. His life has been one of devotion to his Creator and earnest endeavor to present each woman preached "glad tidings" to men. He is now departing, and his countenance indicates that he is calm and happy. How calm and happy! A cast on the face, for the whirlwind of storm, ocean and earth. The soft winds that nourish the blossoms and flowers, which away from the forests, the fields and the bowers, To their home of refreshment, the cool caves of rest, For they know that the king of the tempest is nigh.

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From the Magazines.

FROM GRAHAM'S MAGAZINE, FOR SEPTEMBER.

THE BEREAVED.

BY AMELIA

The river road here lads slopp'd to sleep,
And I have not a friend to weep
Around the shallow clay,
Where, with my dead, I'll sadly lie
Whose life was as the gloom of night
In a still and lonely spot
Where few have trod and few come to see,
Where flowers are in the wildest rot
And trees, and streams will lapsed by,
And sorrow will be there.

Again the sunset, and a stranger scene past
Again I stand, and a stranger scene past
The material grandfather of the dead child, is now dying. The eldest and the youngest of the family are left to go God together. But how mysterious—again the dying saint seems to hold converse with an unseen world. Again he clasps the spotless clay—but no embrace is there now. The past sick, long suffering saint was freed—his body left behind—beyond even the one who had gone to Heaven before.

A few days again passed, and a stranger scene past! The material grandfather of the dead child, is now dying. The eldest and the youngest of the family are left to go God together. But how mysterious—again the dying saint seems to hold converse with an unseen world. Again he clasps the spotless clay—but no embrace is there now. The past sick, long suffering saint was freed—his body left behind—beyond even the one who had gone to Heaven before.

* * * * Again the father bade to his breast his agonized, dying boy. Again he feels the last pulsation of life, and go to

village, the children leading the way, until they reached the front or eastern gate. At the orders of the captain, it was unbarred, and they stood right on the soft short sward at the foot of the palisades.

As they passed through, a long, keen, exultant whoop burst out from the green shades opposite, although not a form was visible. The young warrior looked around upon the group with a proud smile, then, taking the hand of his mother and pointing to the hill side, said, "See how warriors love child." White Squaw, love 'em, too. He must go."

"I cannot, I cannot give you up, said Susan, convulsively weeping. "Do you not love your mother, also?"

White Cloud love mother—new mother, but he must go. Listen! She got white skin, but Injin heart. He thinks Injin—he feels Injin—he's all Injin. What could warrior do here in village—nothing—he die—no better here—no council fire here—no dance here—no lady love. What for live here? White Squaw, too, what loves White Cloud—old chief's daughter—she—where's she? say that—where's she? husband stay."

The father was about to speak, seeing Susan almost shocked with her tears, but he was interrupted by the nearly distracted young mother.

"Stay with me, say no," sobbed she, throwing herself upon his bosom. "must we, must we lose you again? Heavenly Father support us in this new trial."

"Mother good, very good," said the chief, in a tone of affection mingled with sadness. "Mustn't cry so—get husband—father stay. White Cloud chief,—got great tribe—must go—good-bye" holding his mother up and gazing sorrowfully in her face. "Good mother—love one—love her sign. Good-bye." Then giving the form of the almost insensible Susan in the arms of his father, and giving a look and brief kindness to him, as well as to Robert and Agnes, he bounded away; and amidst the cheers of his warriors that again rent the air, and were upon the air, passed rapidly up the newlevel, through, gave one more look, waved his arms, and vanished in the forest.

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OUR WEEKLY GOSSIP.

Reference to the foreign news, in this day's paper, will furnish an answer to the doubts of those who have hesitated to believe in the strength and perpetuity of our system of government. And it is the more opportune just now, because that some of the foreign presses are raising an outcry on account of the recent unfortunate occurrences in the county. Without any attempt at apology for the late riots in our own vicinity, we will take a look at various points in the old world, and show that if we are in a bad dilemma, Europe and the country by which we are to be represented.

Beginning with Britain, we find one part of her home possessions in such a state, that prudence compels the government to keep the whole of Ireland in garrison—troops enough being now quartered in Ireland to put down by physical force any attempt which might be made, we had almost said, by the whole people. As a reserve, as many more should be kept behind, and could be, in less than a month, made to alight upon the Irish soil like a swarm of locusts.

Cross the channel, and we find the several factions into which the French nation is cut up, kept in check only by playing one set against the rest, and ringing the changes on national glory by encouraging all, and yet not to raise them utility. The liberty of the press is made to consist in giving editors the rent of the prisons, and the houses of the people are subjected to sudden visits of the police at all hours; while a man may also further console himself with the comfortable reflection, that the Argus eyes of the government agents watch his every step. Letters entrusted to the bosom of the government, are regularly opened when any pretext offers, and even in England, where "a man's house is his castle," as well as on the continent, his letters are deemed the government spies. And despite of all these precautions, we find the malcontents in the city of Lyons checked just at the moment when they were ready to kill all the magistrates with a French contrivance.

Poor Spain has passed into a proverb for anarchy and misgovernment. The last heroine from that country, is the arrest of a plot to burn the barracks of the soldiers, kill the officers, and sack and pillage the city and Madrid.

In Italy, the popular disposition to insurrection is kept down by a sort of reserved constitution fund—political prisoners, convicted and condemned, for affairs in 1843, being detained as a sort of hostages for the good behavior of their compatriots outside. When an emeute is apprehended, a prisoner or two of the old stock is publicly executed, by way of admonition.

The King of Prussia has narrowly escaped assassination—so narrowly, that it was the mere pudding of his coat that saved him; the ball glancing off in general of the manufacturing towns on the continent, the starving operatives have taken revenge on machinery by its destruction. In Greece, King Otho has had a narrow escape from being murdered. In Turkey, every thing denotes that the Ottoman Empire is tottering on its fall.

The asteroid of the monster empire of Russia, compels the possessors of his state secrets to too much prudence, to allow them to be flying abroad. But the general system of his government is well understood—a hypocritical friendship for the people, that they may be used to crush the nobles. The invincible physical force which is set up as the strength of the arm of the autocrat, is now about to

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Notices of New Works.

THE LADIES' NATIONAL MAGAZINE, *for September*, lands of well executed engravings of "My Country 'tis," designed and executed for *Mr Peterson*, by R. G. Harrison. The story of the poor girl who died of a broken heart, and very beautiful. The liberal and energetic publisher has also embellished his number with a beautiful piece of landscape, "Lake Winnipisseogee," and with a plate of the latest fashions. The contributions are varied and excellent, "Lucy May" is one of the best of Mrs. Hale's stories, and is generally pronounced to be the best story of the season. Mrs. Seargent continues her series of tales of Richard the Third. "Lucy May" is one of the most beautiful stories we ever read. "The Last Will" is powerful and impressive. "A Leap Year Story," by Mary Hewitt, will please the ladies, as well as it startled the gentlemen. Mrs. Ellet's large article concerning a wonderful poet, and reads the first dollar magazines at two dollars the piece. Mrs. Ellet's article is one of the best specimens of our brother editors.

THE LADY'S NATIONAL MAGAZINE.—We know of no magazine that is so better hands than this. The names of the editors Mrs. Ann S. Stephens and Mr. Ned Buntline—letting alone their corps of popular contributors—are a host of themselves. Mrs. Stephens is one of the most popular magazine writers of the day—she is unequalled in the delineation of female character. Her tale of "Fair as an Old Picture," in the present Number of this work, is warrant, that wholesome earnestness which we find in Miss Bremer's tales. We are glad to learn that Mrs. Stephens will give us one of her beautiful romances in each number of the Magazine. It cannot fail to increase the already widely circulated magazine in the country.—*The Athens Republican, Ky.*

☞ The Ladies' National Magazine, for September, has been received. The embellishments are splendid, the "Country Girl," Lake Winnipisseogee," and the "Fashions" are beautiful. We have not time to look at the matter that this work will publish.—*Pittsburgh Gazette

Selected Poetry.

THE UNRECORDED GRAVE.

Who stands here?
Methinks—but glanced in the pride and might
Of youth, and the fulness of life's delight—
Such as forever are laid to rest
Under the fair green turf of the mountain crest!
Under—but why glance and wonder? Where
Is the spot that is not unrecorded there?

Who stands here?
Who treads lightly the verge of gush?
Who bends o'er the grave whose sound must be hushed?
Who—but I know not—when life was young? and why
Do I ask? Is not all unrecorded there?

Who stands here?
Hoary with summer glories and lig ot leaves,
Or with wind, or with snow, or with autumn's sheaves?
Some gentle heart that mourned from years of youth,
And shed its sadness around in the sunny truth
Of love manifold, from that way he might not tell
Of the grief that was hidden in his heart's deep cell.

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Who stands here?
Some one who knew not the golden time
Of youth, or the world's unbroken prime?
Who knew not the hopes that were formed in vain?
Who knew not the joys that were turned to pain?
Who knew not the sorrow that came to bless
The heart with the sense of its nothingness?